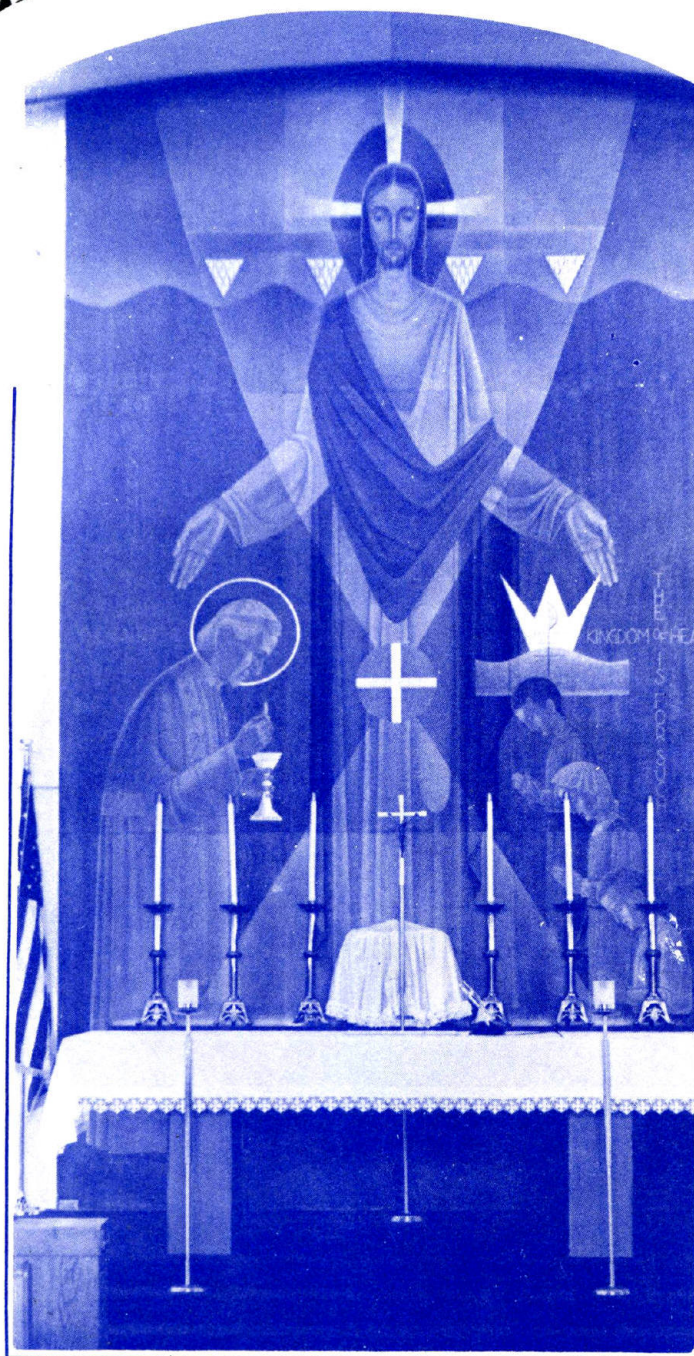


SILVER JUBILEE YEAR

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The Church Of
SAINT PIUS X

335 Shepley — St. Louis, Mo. 63137

St. Pius X

25th Anniversary Celebration

June 10, 1979

Mass of Celebration—Noon

Reception Immediately

Following Mass 1:30 — ?

*All Parishioners and Former
Parishioners are Invited To Attend*

*A Souvenir
of the
25th Anniversary
of
St. Pius X Church
Glasgow Village, Mo.*

1954



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POPE ST. PIUS X
1903-1914

ST. PIUS X (1835-1914)

St. Pius X was born Guiseppe Sarto in 1835 in the village of Riese in Ventia. He was the son of a postman and the second of ten children in a very poor family.

In 1903 he came to the chair of St. Peter—a man who radiated goodness, a man of God who knew the unhappiness of the world and the hardships of life, and in the greatness of his heart wanted to comfort everybody.

In the eleven years of his Papacy, the accomplishments were many. The new Pope put an end to any supposed right of any civil power to interfere in a papal election. He struck a resounding blow to the heresy called "Modernism". He was ever concerned for the plight of the weak and oppressed. And in an effort to "renew all things in Christ", he announced in his first encyclical letter his decrees concerning the

sacrament of the Eucharist. These formally recommended daily communion when possible, directed that children should be allowed to approach the altar upon attaining the use of reason, and facilitated the communion of the sick. In addition, he strongly urged daily reading of the Bible.

During his lifetime Almighty God used Pope Pius X as an instrument of miracles. The arm of a paralyzed man, the legs of a paralyzed child, and a nun with tuberculosis were all healed through the Pope.

In August of 1914 the Pope, whose triple crown was poverty, humility, and gentleness passed away. There came a call to recognize the sanctity of this man and in 1923 the Cardinals in curia decreed that his cause be introduced. In 1954 Pope Pius XII solemnly canonized his predecessor before a vast multitude in St. Peter's Square—the first canonized Pope since Pius V in 1672.





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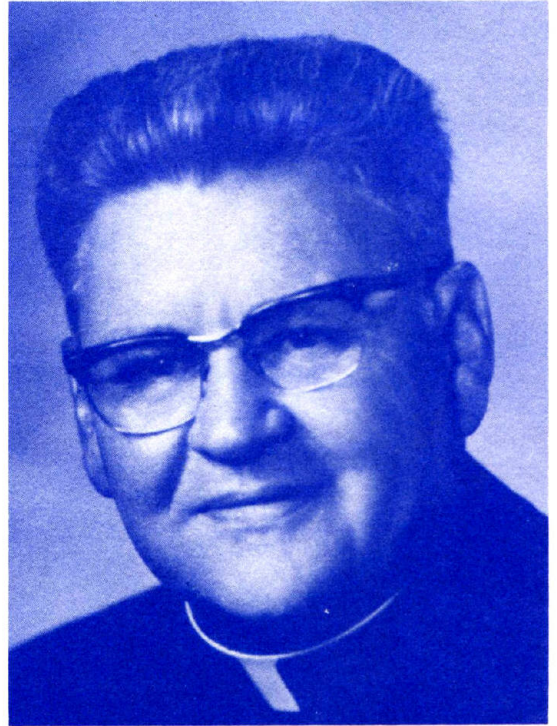


HIS EMINENCE JOHN JOSEPH CARDINAL CARBERRY, J.C.D., S.T.D.
ARCHBISHOP OF SAINT LOUIS
1968-

FORMER PASTORS



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1954-1963
DECEASED

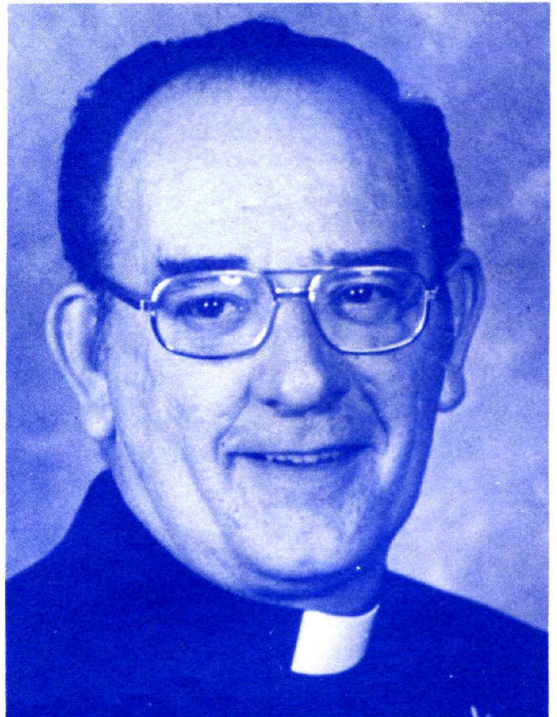


FATHER R.J. KRAUS
1963-1967

FATHER F.H. BLASE
1963
DECEASED



FATHER WILFRED SCHLATTMANN
1967-1973



FATHER LAWRENCE NIBBERICH
1973-1978

PRESENT PASTOR AND ASSISTANTS



FATHER ARTHUR ALTHOFF
1978-



FATHER WILLIAM LANG
1975-



FATHER RAYMOND SANTEN
1975-



MARY ANN MEYER
PARISH SECRETARY



JANE REYNOLDS
HOUSEKEEPER



SALLY SCHAFERMEYER
PARISH SECRETARY
JAN. 1965-JAN. 1979

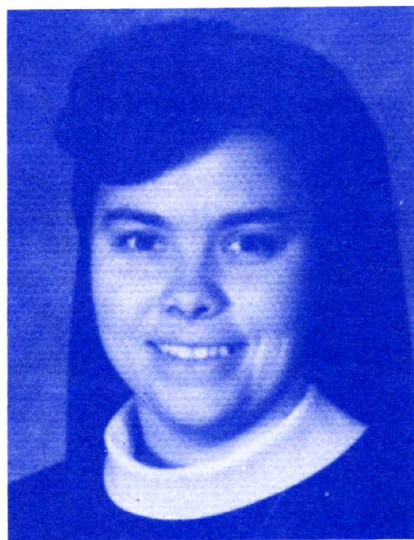
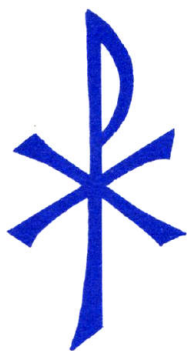


MARVIN DUNAWAY
CUSTODIAN



VIRGINIA RYAN
SCHOOL SECRETARY

GRADUATES IN GOD'S SERVICE



SISTER CAROL BECKERMAN, O.S.F.
CLASS OF 1960



SISTER WALTER MARIE LAUTNER, O.S.F.
CLASS OF 1963



SISTER MARY ANN GOVERNAL, O.S.F.
CLASS OF 1960



SISTER MARY JUSTINE TANASE, O.S.F.
CLASS OF 1956



SISTER DEANA WALKER, O.S.U.
CLASS OF 1959

GLASGOW VILLAGE: THE ORIGINS

Glasgow Village with street names like Perthshire, Midlothian, Glen Garry, Roderick and McAlpine, is named for the Scottish city, right? Wrong.

The first owner of the area where the community now stands was William Carr Lane, first mayor of St. Louis, and from him it passed to his son-in-law, William Glasgow. The Glasgow Family held it from that time until its development for housing was begun by Clarence T. Wilson's Glasgow Village Development Corporation.

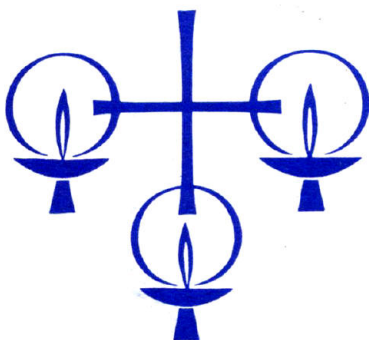
About 1840, Glasgow, who was a founder of the Cook Champagne Co., imported workers and grapevines from Italy and planted extensive vineyards from the blufftop down to the Mississippi. The Glasgows lived at Garrison and Sheridan and built a summerhouse and rustic tower on the bluffs where the boys in the family camped.

A telescope was installed in the tower for watching steamboats on the river below. The tower also had a good view of the family home, so a code system was developed to enable the parents to communicate with the camping boys. Colored blankets were hung at windows or on a line and the boys, peering through the telescope from the Glasgow hilltop, could read and decipher the message.

The tower and summer house were destroyed by fire in 1909 and there was little building in the area until 1929 when a small part of the bluff was developed as Glasgow Woods.

Wilson's firm built its first house in Glasgow Village in early 1951 and by September 1952 there were 310 homes in the subdivision, and as a writer for the Post-Dispatch noted, "children, children everywhere."

Wilson gave the village about five acres for a park and equipped it with playground equipment for those children. In addition the firm gave five acres for a Catholic Church—the present home of St. Pius X—and set aside a smaller area for a protestant church, now occupied by Glasgow Village Presbyterian Church.



ST PIUS X: THE BEGINNINGS

The year was 1954. The Soviet Union rejected a Western plan for reunification of Germany, while half-way around the world another group of Communists drove the French from Indo-China.

Senator Joseph R. McCarthy was hunting Reds in government. John Steinbeck wrote "Sweet Thursday" and J.R.R. Tolkien published "The Fellowship of the Ring". Britain developed the first vertical takeoff plane—dubbed "The Flying Bedstead"—and Roger Bannister became the first man to break the four minute mile. On this side of the Atlantic the Supreme Court declared racial segregation unconstitutional.

And here at home, St. Louis county was in the midst of an unprecedented building boom.

It was against this background that four residents of newly established Glasgow Village—William J. Himmelberg, Leo F. McAdams, Stephen R.J. Morris and John J. Signaigo—wrote to Archbishop Joseph E. Ritter asking that a new parish be built in their community. That was the beginning of St. Pius X.

The first pastor assigned to the new parish was the Reverend Thomas J. Hederman, a native St. Louisan who had been ordained in 1938, served as an associate pastor at St. Paul the Apostle in Pine Lawn and Most Holy Name Parish before becoming a Navy Chaplain in 1943. After his discharge in April 1946, Father Hederman served as an associate pastor at several parishes, received a master's degree from St. Louis University and was assigned to his first pastorate at Sacred Heart in Wilhelmina, Missouri in August 1951. He came to St. Pius from that assignment.

A tall man with a snowy crew cut, he quickly was given the good-natured nickname of the "Great White Father".

The parish's first Mass was said May 10, 1954 at the Riverview Republican Club at Diamond and Fork Drives, and anyone who attended those early Masses was not likely to forget them.

The building was rented out for parties on Saturday nights and Mrs. Doris Reeves recalls that "the odor of beer was still there in the morning."

"The floors were not too good, either," she said. "If you didn't get a snag in your nylons while kneeling on the floor you were lucky."

Morris remembers how the men of the parish had to scurry around before Mass.

"We had to clean the place and set the chairs up," he said. "Sometimes they were in the basement and we had to bring them up through a trap door. Other times we had to bring them down from upstairs. But everybody seemed to pitch in. It wasn't so bad."



THE FIRST RECTORY

A house at 427 Cameron Drive was purchased for a rectory and a housewarming party was held in July, 1954. Sunday Masses were said at 8, 9 and 11 a.m. at the club and weekday Masses were at 7:30 a.m. at the rectory, with Holy Communion every fifteen minutes from 6 a.m. to 8 a.m. Baptisms were at the rectory after the 11 o'clock Mass on Sundays.

A tabernacle was built and donated by Art Ellerbracht and a confessional built by Ed Haze. The confessional was put in the only place big enough to accomodate it—under the basement stairs in the rectory.

On July 19 the parish began collections for its building fund, with each wage earner asked to give one day's pay per month. The men who made the rounds called themselves "Hederman's College of Collectors."

The following month the Ladies Club and Men's Club were formed.

In October 1954, the Sunday Mass situation took a turn for the better. Glasgow School had been completed and arrangements were made with the Riverview Gardens School District to use its gymnasium for Sunday Masses.

"Father said Mass on a table directly under the basketball hoop," Morris recalled with a grin. "He used to call it his halo."

In December the parish observed its first Advent season.

The Ladies Club had a Christmas Party December 8 at Glasgow School and the Men's Club had its party December 13 at the St. Louis Boat Club, 10200 Riverview Drive.

Christmas Masses were celebrated in a school room and Mrs. Reeves remembers it vividly.

"Every Christmas since then I think of how surprised I was when we walked in and saw how beautiful the altar was fixed," she said. "The pretty white cloth draped the table (which was the altar), the candles were burning brightly and big red poinsettias were on and surrounding the altar."

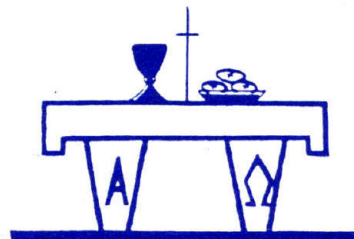
As 1954 came to an end there were 460 families in the parish. Sixty infants and four adults had been baptized.



CAST OF FIRST ANNUAL MINSTREL SHOW

Parishioners pushed social and religious activities in the new year with the first annual minstrel show and the Family Communion Crusade in January, and the first card party on Wednesday, March 30, at the Boat Club.

The best was yet to come, however.



On May 8, 1955, Archbishop Ritter officiated at the cornerstone laying for St. Pius X Church.

The following month the parish announced tuition for the new school: 10 cents per day for the first two children in a family. The rest were free. At the time there were 500 families in the parish.



CORNER STONE LAYING

School was the big item on parishioner's minds that second year, but it was summer and some relaxation was called for. So, in July the Men's Club sponsored the first parish basket lunch picnic at Mollerus Grove.

In August, Mother Beatrice of the Franciscan Sisters of Our Lady of Perpetual Help was named superior of the new school, which opened with Mass on September 6.



**MOTHER BEATRICE
FIRST PRINCIPAL**

one week later the new church and school were dedicated by Archbishop Ritter. As the year ended the parish had 576 families.



**DEDICATION OF NEW CHURCH
AND SCHOOL**

By that time the parish was rapidly getting organized. In March, 1956 the Ladies Club held its first Communion Breakfast and in April there was a novena in honor of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal.

But May was the really busy month, probably the month of the most "firsts" in parish history. On May Day the Credit Union was formed. On May 20 the parish had its first crowning of the Blessed Virgin at Sunday Mass and the first public blessing of new and prospective mothers. The month also saw the first meeting of the Legion of Mary and the first school picnic, May 23, at Chain of Rocks Park.

And the highlight of the month was the graduation of the first class—three boys and thirteen girls—from St. Pius X School.

In June, the first starlight dance was held on the church parking lot. In October permission was received to add classrooms to the school, and in December the school children held their first annual Christmas Mission Carnival.



On December 11, 1955, the first of the parish's First Holy Communion Classes received the sacrament and

The following year St. Pius X took still more steps toward "getting organized."

In March 1957 numerous men of the parish joined the Legion of One Thousand Men dedicated to making reparation to the Blessed Sacrament by a weekly visit to Mt. Grace Chapel of Perpetual Adoration (the Pink Sisters' chapel).

The following month the parish St. Vincent De Paul Society was formed to aid the poor of the parish. And, to keep things from being all work, the Men's and Ladies Clubs co-sponsored a variety show.

In May the St. Pius X Civics Club was formed and in July the St. Pius X Teens (CYC) held their preliminary meeting and elected Marsha Myers president.

The summer passed, as summers do, and in September, 1957, the school Milk and Monitor organization was formed with mothers sparing an hour a month to relieve nuns of supervision of the school children at lunch time.

A third addition to the school was begun in the spring of 1959, boosting the total number of classrooms to sixteen.



ST. PIUS X SCHOOL

Another major construction project, the present rectory, was started in the spring of 1963 and completed in the fall.



THE RECTORY

Happiness over the construction was tempered, however, with the departure of Father Hederman in May to become pastor of St. Luke Parish, Richmond Heights. In March 1964 he was named also to the editorship of the St. Louis Review.

He served in both posts, as pastor and editor, until his death in an auto accident in August 1967. Under his leadership the Review was singled out as the nation's leading diocesan newspaper and won three Catholic Press Association awards.

Father Hederman was succeeded at St. Pius X by the Reverend Francis H. Blase, who served from May 13, 1963 to the following August 19. The Reverend Robert J. Kraus was pastor from August 19, 1963 to January 9, 1967.

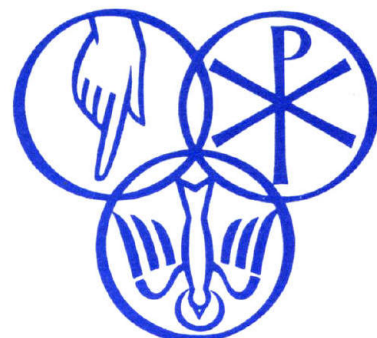
On March 16, 1967, the Reverend Wilfred Schlattmann became pastor. Under Father Schlattmann's leadership permission was obtained to air condition the church, making summer Masses much more comfortable.

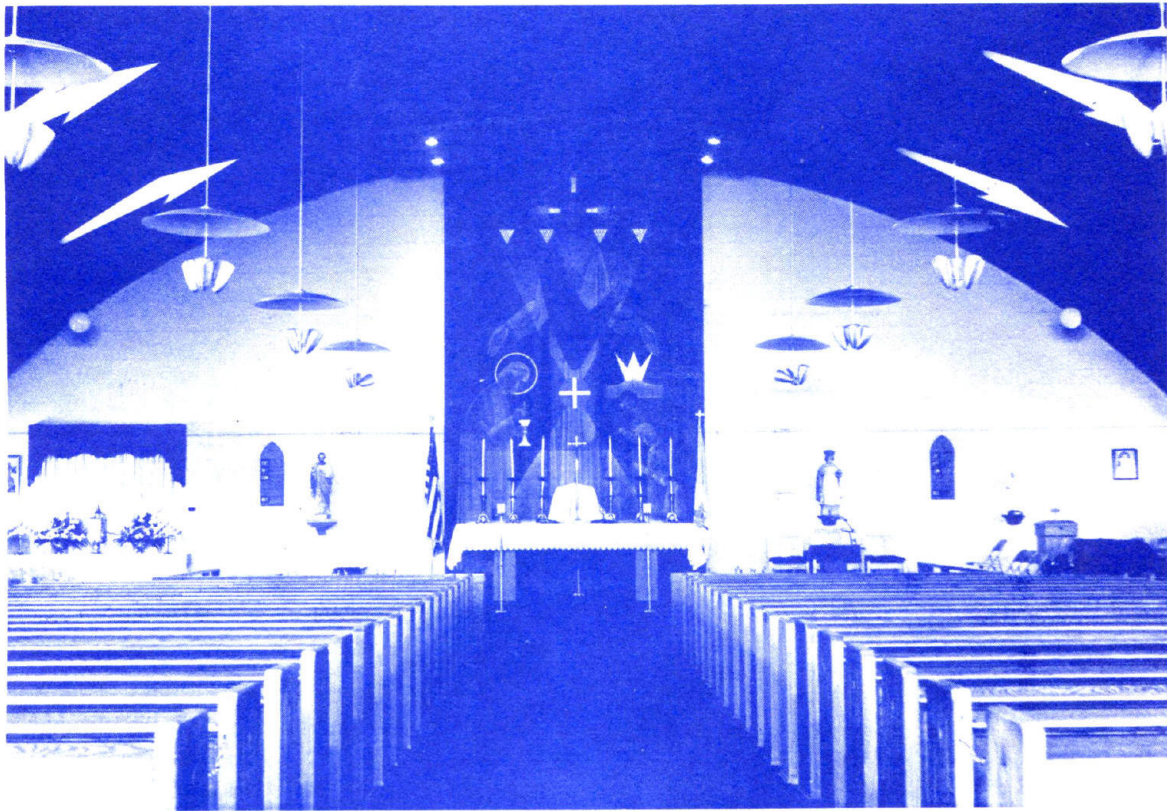
On May 21, 1974, Father Schlattmann was succeeded by the Reverend Lawrence Nibberich.

In Father Nibberich's term our present associate pastors Fathers William A. Lang and Raymond B. Santen came to St. Pius X. Father Nibberich was responsible for physical improvements to the church and school. He obtained additional pews that were installed to complete the back half of the church. The other major change in that period was the addition of the new parish hall and kitchen which was dedicated on March 2, 1975.

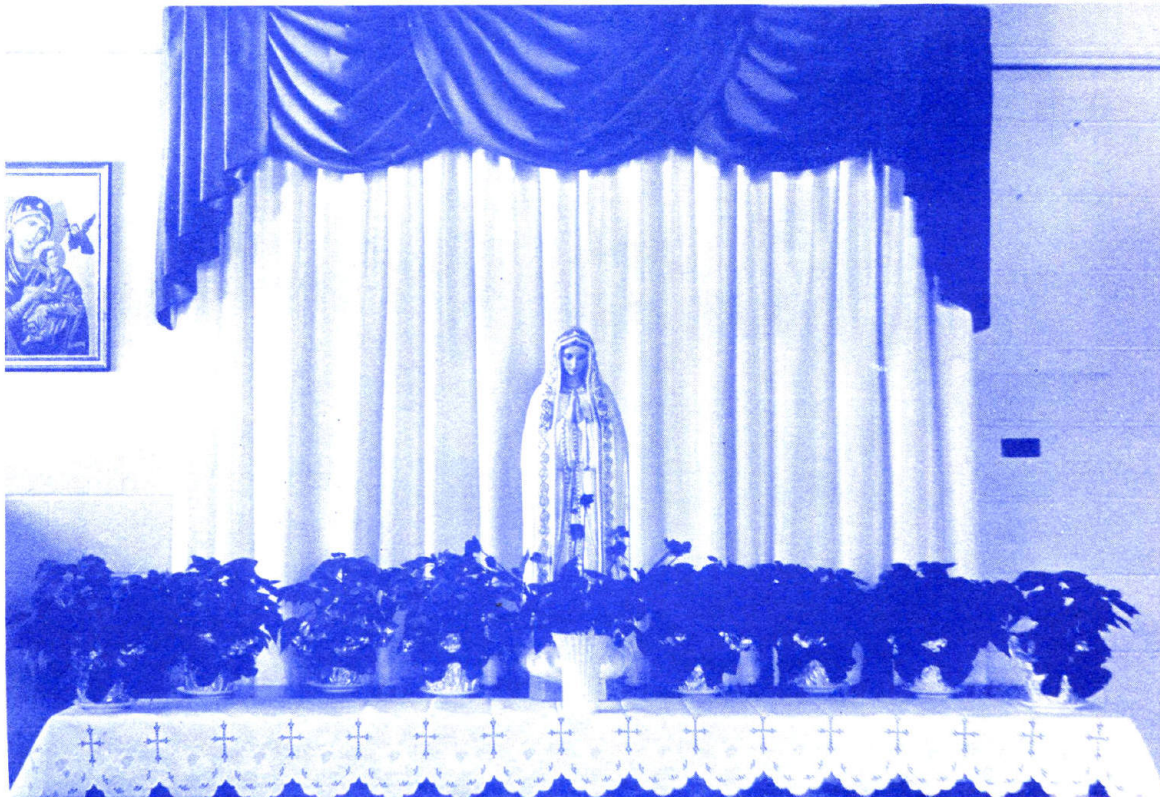
Last November Father Nibberich was transferred and his place taken by our present pastor, the Reverend Arthur J. Althoff, who is guiding St. Pius X into the start of its second 25 years.

The story of a parish can't be told in statistics alone, but consider these figures: In the first 25 years at St. Pius X (ending last December 31) there were 2,038 baptisms, 2,010 first communions, 2,055 confirmations, 162 converts, 400 weddings, 312 funerals and literally tens of thousands of Holy Masses.





ST. PIUS X CHURCH TODAY



BLESSED VIRGIN MARY ALTAR
DRAPES SEWN BY MRS. PAT OSBURN

SPECIAL FIRST EVENTS

First Baptism - May 30, 1954

Mary Agnes Clarke, daughter of Joseph & Margaret Clarke

First Marriage - October 9, 1954

William Barnes & Geneva Phillips

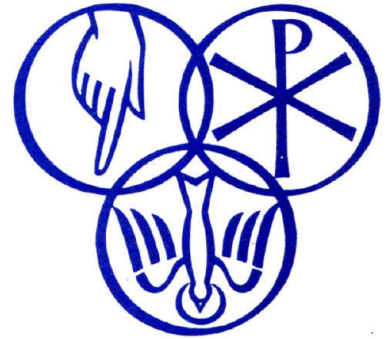
First Communion Class - December 11, 1955

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Arnold, Michael
Buehring, Carol
Conroy, Pamela
Cusumano, James
Davis, Kathy
Governal, Barbara
Graville, Mary Ann
Heckenkamp, Joseph
Henderson, Joseph
Hill, Judith
Hoppe, Edward

Hynek, Patricia
Joshu, Rebecca
Kelly, Donna
Loy, Joan
MacFarland, Margaret
McKenzie, Diane
Melton, Sherilynn
Nihart, David
Ogden, William
Ragsdale, Joan

Ralls, Kathleen
Repking, Kathy Ann
Roth, Jan
Schrandt, Richard
Seats, Pamela
Turley, Edward
Wentz, Patricia
Wentz, Thomas
Werle, Michael
Wilmering, Patricia



First Graduation Class - May 1956



TOP ROW LEFT TO RIGHT: Jean Leifield, Elizabeth Signaigo, Antoinette Cira, Nancy Tanase, Barbara Arnold, Father Thomas Hederman, Elora Hoppe, Marcia Myers, Helen Shockey, Sandra Vogt. BOTTOM ROW LEFT TO RIGHT: Mary Patton, John Moenster, James Miller, Robert Tivoli.

ORGANIZATIONS

SPORTS CLUB: KEEPS PITCHING

Through organized athletic activities the Sports Club has contributed to the moral and physical formation of our children. It provides for the facilities, equipment, and coaches to field and supervise our teams. Over the years we have had many excellent teams representing St. Pius X as indicated by our well stocked trophy case.



TROPHY CASE

Ray Eckert was the first director of the Athletic Club which was part of the Men's Club. In the early 1970's the Sports Club became a separate organization. Past directors were Don Hensiek, Don Layton, Jim Delsing, and Bill Clynes.

Through the efforts of many parishioners, our athletic fields have undergone numerous changes and additions, the latest of which occurred in the spring of 1978.

Under the club's direction and financing, the hill which separated the upper and lower fields was cut back to provide another ball diamond, and two new backstops were erected.

The parish now has three ball diamonds and a full length soccer field, making it one of the finest athletic facilities in the North County area.

The club has always sponsored events to raise the money necessary for the improvement of the grounds and the purchase of uniforms and equipment for the children. Last year alone the club spent more than \$10,000 for these purposes.

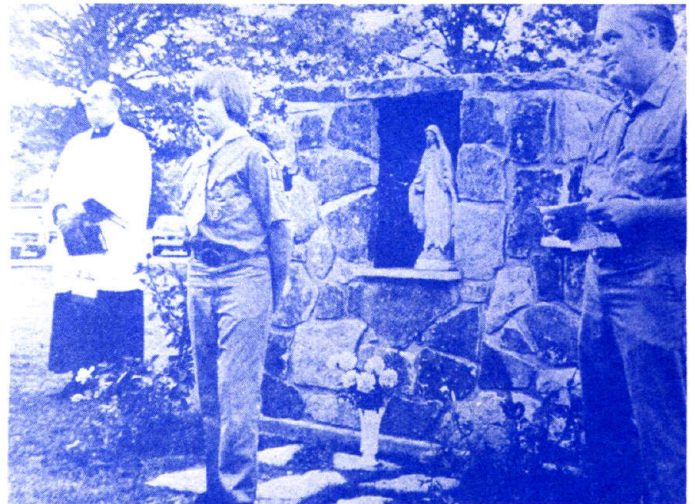
Present officers of the club are Vince "Butch" Mattina, director, and Bill Morrow, secretary-treasurer. Co-ordinators are Ray Woefel-baseball; Bob Frederiksen-softball; Jane Austin-volleyball; Bill Rebello-basketball; and Bob Dougherty-soccer.

GOOD SCOUTS: WE'VE GOT 'EM

Boy Scout Troop 925 was chartered on April 5, 1966 at St. Pius X parish, with Frank Perano as its first Scoutmaster.

Perano served in the post until 1968. Other Scoutmasters have been Thomas Moran, 1968-71; Sylvester Koebel, 1971-73; James Murphy, 1973-74; Art Weissler, 1974-76, and Noel Nixon, the present Scoutmaster.

The troop has been an active part of the parish since its inception, participating in any parish function in which it could be of help. Many worthwhile accomplishments are a direct result of the Scouts efforts, including the Blessed Mother's Grotto, on the parish grounds. The Scouts have been responsible also for the restoration of some of the parish facilities.



**DEDICATION OF GROTTA
PICTURED ARE FATHER NIBBERICH,
JAY EHRHARD AND MR. NOEL NIXON**

The Scouting program is designed to promote love of God, good citizenship and to develop leadership abilities in each Scout. To date the troop has had seven Scouts who reached Eagle rank, the highest in scouting.

At present there are 40 active scouts and 18 adult leaders working together for the good of the church and the community.

The parish actually had a Cub Scout program before it had a Boy Scout troop. Cub Pack 925 was chartered in April 1964, with Harold Grothoff as Cubmaster. Grothoff served until 1965. Other Cubmasters have been John Connelly, 1965-67; James Horack, 1967-68; Tom DiMercurio, 1968-69; Henry Loy, 1969-71; Jack Russell, 1971; William Rebello, 1971-72; Bill Lindhorst, 1972-75; Charles Crowley, 1975; Tony Pijut, 1975-78; and the present Cubmaster, Jack Standish.

The Cub program is for boys 8, 9, and 10 years of age to encourage spiritual and character growth, develop good citizenship, sportsmanship, family unity and personal pride.

Much of this is provided at the weekly den meetings and monthly pack meetings, but the backbone of Cub Scouting is the family, with concerned parents working with their sons on the Scouting Trail, preparing them for the step up to becoming Boy Scouts.

CAMPFIRE GIRLS: GOING AND GROWING

The Campfire Girl organization was started 12 years ago at St. Pius X with eight girls led by Mary Ann Horton.

Each year thereafter girls joined in the first grade and leaders volunteered to help their girls grow through Campfire. At present, St. Pius X has 79 girls in the Campfire program, grouped by grade level from the first through the tenth grade.

Three years ago through the efforts of Mary Cira, Marian Award coordinator, three girls began working on the Marian Award, the religious award available to Catholic girls. On April 2, 1978, after two years of work, Debbie Cira, Diane Frederiksen and Mary Morrow received their award at the Cathedral. They are the first Campfire girls in our parish to receive the award.

On March 25 this year six eighth grade girls were to receive Marian Awards after a year of study and work. A new group of seventh graders has begun study under the direction of Mrs. Cira.

On that same date Debbie Cira was to receive the Pius XII Award, the highest religious award available to young men and women. She is the first girl in the St. Louis area to receive the award.

Since October 1975 the Campfire organization has been sponsored by the Ladies Club. The organization has grown through the efforts of the following: Barbara Bohn, Ruth Szymanski, Mary Cira, Jackie Conley, Annette Bligh, Sharon Markel, Bunny Patterson, Jean Perano, Peggy Boulware, Marcy Zufall, Mary Morrow, Carol Frederiksen, Vivian Grelle, Anna DeBlaze, Joan Svetanics, Carol Webb, Jackie Keplinger, Sue Schmidt, and Jan DeWitt.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: PROVIDING HELP FOR THE POOR

Since March 24, 1958 the St. Vincent De Paul Society has been helping poor and needy families, both in and out of the parish, with their material and spiritual needs.

On October 2, 1961 the St. Pius X Conference became an aggregated conference--having received the special blessing of the Pope.

Past presidents of the society include Robert Hayes, Robert Davidson, John Masterson, Donald Miller, Harold Grothoff and Henry Teiber.

Current members are Raymond Nifong, president; Bertram Siesner, treasurer; Jane Murphy, Sophia and Bernard Goughenour, Alvin Overmann, Alphonse Dietert and Joseph Flynn. Siesner and Nifong have been members for more than eighteen years.

Over the years many thousands of dollars have been collected and used for the poor. Society members donate their time, energy, and money to cover any expenses incurred.

The main sources of revenue for the conference are the poor box donations, Thanksgiving Day collection, sales of Our Sunday Visitor and contributions of parishioners and members.

If anyone is in need or knows of anyone in need, help can be obtained by calling the Rectory.

PRO-LIFE COMMITTEE: CONTINUING ITS WORK

The Pro-Life Committee was formed in St. Pius X parish soon after the Supreme Court's decision on January 22, 1973 that legalized abortion.

Helen and Ray Hain were the first representatives from St. Pius X to the Archdiocesan Pro-Life Committee. They worked through this group with the co-operation of our parish priests and nuns.

To make people aware is one of the goals of the archdiocesan committee and is, on a smaller scale, the aim of our parish committee. This is done through bulletin inserts, voter information, movies on respect for life, picketing, telephone and telegram campaigns, write-in campaigns and the Knights of Columbus "One Rose for Life" mail-in.

The Pro-Life Committee has operated as a committee of the Men's and Ladies Clubs. At present, Mary and Bill Morrow are the parish chairmen.

Our school children, with the aid of our nuns and teachers, have been most helpful in our parish effort. Over the years we have had several Pro-Life Masses and the children have made two beautiful banners for the parish.

Young adults have been very supportive of the cause and their help is greatly appreciated.

The committee will continue working at St. Pius X until respect for life—from beginning to end—is restored.

PRAYER GROUP: PRAYING FOR YOU

The St. Pius X Prayer Group is made up of men and women, young and old, who meet every Tuesday night to praise and thank God, to sing, to share scripture, to pray for the parish and one another, and to have fellowship with one another.

The meetings are held in the parish hall and all are welcome to attend.

THE CHOIR: SINGING GOD'S PRAISES

The first parish choir was a women's choir formed in 1954 and directed by Dorothy Hauptfleisch of St. Catherine's parish. This choir sang at the dedication of our present church in 1955. A short time later Clem Faszold began a men's choir. Then, in the fall of 1956, John Mudd assumed leadership of both choirs. The two choirs merged into a mixed choir of 26 voices for the Christmas services.

In the early days, Frances Smith and Lucy Kelleher were organists for the choir. At that time a portable Army organ was carried to the rectory basement for choir practice, and the Republican Club (on Diamond Drive) and Glasgow School for Sunday Mass.

There was a period of time when the only singers in the parish were the parishioners, accompanied by an organ or guitar. Guitar groups, comprised mainly of high school students, sang a style as new and fresh as the English liturgy.

In May 1978 the present choir was formed with Dolores Ullrich as director.

Present organists are Bill Rademacher and David Byrne.

MEN'S CLUB: GONE BUT NOT FORGOTTEN

One of the first groups organized by Father Thomas J. Hederman was the Men's Club.

The first officers were Jim Frain, president; Frank Perano, vice-president; Lee McAdams, secretary, and Dan Daniels, treasurer. Frain, Perano, Ken Gavin and George Rau were the framers of the St. Pius X Men's Club's first constitution.

Over the years the men tackled a wide range of projects for the parish: the first car wash, when they even washed a farmer's tractor, building and erecting the stage for ten "minstrel" shows, basket picnics, coaching a multitude of teams and purchasing sports equipment, painting the school and church, barbecues, fish fries (remember when Friday was fish day), and the early "Blue Book" parish solicitations door to door on the first Monday of the month.

Eventually, the Sports Club split away from the Men's Club. And, as the parish aged, Men's Club attendance dwindled until in 1977 it was allowed to die.

LADIES CLUB: BACKBONE OF THE PARISH

As surely as the priests are the heart of any parish, the Ladies Club is its backbone.

Anyone who doubts that that's the case at St. Pius X can just ask a Ladies Club member.

The club was formed in August 1954 just three months after the first Mass to promote the physical and spiritual betterment of the parish, to foster social, educational and recreational activities among its members and to assist the pastor in spiritual and material undertakings for the welfare of the parish.

The first officers who were appointed were Rosemary Robinson, president; Pat Englehardt, vice-president; and Sis Klosterman, secretary-treasurer.

Through the years the club has sponsored dances, fish fries, card parties, bake sales and similar activities. It also takes care of the lunch program for the school, milk and monitoring, church cleaning and the Christmas party.

The present officers are Jackie Conley, president; Dot Rebello, vice-president; Rose Nixon, secretary; and Jane Austin, treasurer.

LEGION OF MARY: DOING OUR LADY'S WORK

The Legion of Mary was reorganized in the parish in September, 1973 by Father Wilfred Schlattmann and given the title of Mary Queen of the Eucharist Praesidium. It started with six active members with Father Schlattmann as spiritual director and Mrs. Dorothy Milton as the first president. Past presidents of the Legion were Al Seiffert and Paula Loy. Currently Tom Grogan is president and Father Lang is spiritual director.

The Legion's first assignment included updating the parish census. In the process the Legion acquired several hundred new auxiliary members, who promised to recite the Rosary daily, when possible. The census also found almost 300 Catholics who had not been to Mass or the Sacraments in years. By the time it was completed, the Legion had ten active members.

In its first five years the Legion has compiled a record that would do credit to a much larger group.

Activities included an average of 1,000 home visits a year: visits to the sick and shut-ins, to hospitals and funeral homes and attendance at Masses for the dead. In addition, Legionnaires have prevailed on numerous parents to have their babies baptized or send their children to the Parish School of Religion.

Also through the efforts of the Legion as many as 150 persons have returned to Mass, several marriages have been validated, several persons have been converted to the faith, and there have been several First Holy Communions and Confirmations. Nearly 1,000 auxiliary members now say the Rosary daily.

FIFTY PLUS CLUB: KEEPS 'EM BUSY

Busy is the word for the St. Pius X Fifty Plus Club. The club was organized in January 1972 by Father Wilfred Schlattmann.

Twenty-two persons attended the organization meeting and elected Tom Naughton president; Abbie Carroll vice-president; Clara Schwarz secretary; and Bob Hoff treasurer.

By the end of the year a quilt-of-the-month raffle was begun under the leadership of Flo Lautner.

The club meets on the fourth Sunday of each month in the rectory basement. In addition, club members serve on a sick committee to send cards to members who are ill, and a telephone committee to notify members of a death in the club. The club members attend the funeral Mass of members and have a Mass said for the deceased.

Each spring the club has an annual Mass and Communion followed by breakfast. In the summer there is a basket picnic in the park and in December a Christmas party that includes an exchange of gifts, a donation to the St. Vincent De Paul Society and a catered dinner.

Past officers of the club include Ella Weisler, president; Lee Naughton, vice-president; Mary Shields, secretary; and Bob Hoff, treasurer.

Present officers are Pauline Miller, president; Abbie Carroll, vice-president; Irene Fischer, secretary; and Ruth Holke, treasurer.

CREDIT UNION: PROVIDES LOW-INTEREST LOANS

Soon after St. Pius X parish was formed, Father Thomas Hederman conceived the idea of a credit union to provide low-interest loans to parishioners.

Application was made to the State of Missouri and on April 12, 1956 a charter was granted to the original organizers: Father Hederman, D. James Frain, Edwin J. Benton, John P. Masterson, John B. Murphy, Elmer J. Ingrassia and Paul J. Altnether.

The credit union won quick acceptance which has grown steadily. In the last five years, it has written 367 loans for a total of \$487,193.

Present officers of the union are Carl W. Brauss, president; Charles Phillips, vice-president; Gerry Gerbert, secretary; Mary A. Brauss, treasurer; and Raymond Hain, Danny Glenzy, John Lanzone and Eugene Zufall, board members.

All deposits are insured to \$40,000 and dividends are paid annually. In addition the credit union carries share insurance to \$2,000 per member and loan insurance to \$5,000 at no cost to its members. It charges interest of one percent per month on the unpaid balance of the loan.

Present membership in the credit union is 375. All parishioners are eligible to join.

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